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PARIS AND EUROPE.—GALLEN & PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

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## Banks.

### COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP—£3,200,000.

RESERVE FUND—£800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGÈRE, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:

LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MANZANILLA, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

Messrs J. J. HAMBRO & SON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

F. COCHINARD, Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 8, 1882.

### ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL—£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per annum.

" 6 " " 4 " "

" 12 " " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT, Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL—5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND—2,100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.

Deputy Chairman—Wm. REYNOLDS, Esq.

H. HOPKINS, Esq.

Hon. F. B. JOHNSON, Esq.

A. F. McEWEN, Esq.

A. McIVER, Esq.

F. D. SASSON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.

Shanghai, EMMET CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

### HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " " 4 " "

" 12 " " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, March 22, 1882.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 3rd of June, 1882, at 2 p.m., at the premises of the former Pier & Godown Company, Limited, Wanchai, Praya, (Unless previously disposed of by Private Contract),

THE PLANT of the former HONGKONG PIER & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, consisting of—

50 OPEN GOODS' TRUCKS.

2 TURN-TABLES, 12 feet diameter, adapted for 3' 6" gauge.

1 10-TONS WEIGH BRIDGE WHEEL SPAN, of 10 feet and 3' 6" gauge.

3 TRAVELLING 2 TONS STEAM CRANES.

About 3,000 Feet of RAILS.

All the above is on the WANCHAI PIER, or in the Godowns of Messrs Meyer & Co. Terms of SALE—As customary.

For Particulars, apply to F. RAPP, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 20, 1882.

### For Sale.

FOR SALE.

Messrs W. & J. LOCKETT'S Celebrated BRANDS, THEREFORE'S EXPORT PALE ALE, and FINEST LAGER BEER, in Cases of 1 dozen.

Also, SILLERY MOUTSSEAUX (VIN DE CHAMPAGNE), in Cases of 2 dozen Pints and 1 dozen Quarts.

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### NOTICE.

MR. SOTHEBY GODFREY BIRD is authorized to Sign the Name of our Firm, and Mr. CHARLES GARDNER BUNKER to Sign for Us per Procuration. LINSTED & DAVIS.

Hongkong, May 20, 1882.

### NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF Mr. CHARLES KAHN in our Firm CRANED on the 30th April, 1882.

REISS & Co. Hongkong, Shanghai, 1st May, 1882.

### NOTICE.

WE Have been appointed AGENTS for the MITSU BUSSAN KAISHA, of Tokio, at this Port.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

### NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED has Admitted Mr. M. L. SALAMON into PARTNERSHIP with this date, and the BUSINESS in future will be conducted under the Style of "HOLMES & SALAMON."

(Signed) GEORGE HOLMES. Queen's Road Central, 1st May, 1882.

### NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KYNOC & Co., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13au82

### NOTICE.

MR. CLEMENT PALMER is authorized to Sign the Name of our Firm. WILSON & BIRD, Architects, &c.

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### Auctions.

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

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GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

### FOR SALE.

RAUTER MAINZ DELICIOUS TABLE BEER. 4 doz. Case CHAMPAGNE BOTTLES. \$10. Apply to SANDER & Co. Hongkong, March 30, 1882.

### FOR SALE.

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER, 22, PRAYA CENTRAL.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS, MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, COCK JACKETS, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

### FOR SALE.

195 Fathoms Second-Hand Two-Inch CABLE, suitable for Mooring. In Lots to suit. Apply to WILLIAM DOLAN, 22, Praya Central. Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

### FOR SALE.

WASHING MACHINES. (In English and Chinese.) WASHMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office—Price, \$1 each. CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

### FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE. Quarts, \$17 per 1 doz. Case. Pints, \$18 per 2 doz. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, November 1, 1881.

### FOR SALE.

THE "FAB EAST." THE HOUSE OF 1878 WANTED. Apply at this Office. Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

## For Sale.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

CLARETS—From a SOUND WINE at \$3.50, to CHATEAU LAPITE.

SHERRIES—A PALE DRY WINE at \$8. to Very CHOICE AMONTILLADO.

PORTS—Good WINE at \$8.50, to Old INVALID PORT.

HOCKS—Still and SPARKLING.

BURGUNDIES—BAVNE and CHAMBERTIN.

CHABLIS. SAUTERNE. CHAMPAGNES. MOSELLE.

Hongkong, May 15, 1882.

## To Let.

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COMMODOUS OFFICES and COMMISSIONER'S QUARTERS, &c., with or without GODOWNS, in Paddar's Wharf Buildings, at present in the occupation of Messrs HESSE & Co. View of the Harbour. Possession to be had from the 1st May next.

Apply to G. R. LAMMERT. Hongkong, April 6, 1882.

### TO LET.

(Possession on 1st JUNE NEXT.) THE FIRST FLOOR, West Side, of "MARINE HOUSE," No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD. Now in the occupation of Messrs WILSON & BIRD.

Apply to E. R. BELLIOS. Hongkong, May 10, 1882.

### TO LET.

NOS. 4 and 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE, Nos. 2 and 4, PEDDAR'S HILL.

Apply to DAVID SASSON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, May 3, 1882.

### TO LET.

PRAYA EAST AND WANCHAI ROAD. For Particulars, apply to SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, April 26, 1882.

### TO LET.

(WITH POSSESSION ON THE 1st MAY.) THE NEW FAMILY RESIDENCE situated next to EXCELSIOR on Robinson Road, replete with every convenience, TENNIS LAWN, STABLES, &c.

Also, 8 FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS of all Sizes—Water-side. Inspection is invited.

Apply to SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON. Hongkong, April 3, 1882.

### TO LET.

(WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.) THE HOUSE known as "PARADE VILLA," ROBINSON ROAD.

For Particulars, apply to G. R. LAMMERT, Peddar's Wharf. Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

## Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A First Interest BONUS of TWENTY-FIVE per cent. upon Contributions, on the INTERIM DIVIDEND of ONE HUNDRED and FIFTY-TWO DOLLARS per Share for the year 1881, will be Payable on FRIDAY, the 12th Instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society on and after that date.

By Order of the Board, DOUGLAS JONES, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, May 5, 1882.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. CANTON DISTRICT. No. 3.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a JUNK named WYNN SONG has Sunk in the Upper Section of the ANCHORAGE for Foreign Vessels, 290 yards N.W. 1/4 N. from SHAMLEE BOAT BUOY, in 30 feet of water at Low Water, Springs; the Junk sits quite upright with both Masts standing.

Until further Notice, Two Red Lights in a Vertical Line, one above the other, will be hoisted on the Junk's Foremast from Sunset to Sunrise.

F. E. WOODRUFF, Commissioner of Customs. J. H. C. GUNTHER, Harbour Master. Canton, 25th May, 1882.

THE "FAB EAST." THE HOUSE OF 1878 WANTED. Apply at this Office. Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that on all DOCUMENTARY BILLS delivered to the Undersigned Banks, on or after 1st JUNE, 1882, the Rate of Discount, not exceeding five per cent. per annum, which will be allowed to the Drawers or Acceptors, on retorting the Bills before maturity, will be as follows:

At one half per cent. per annum above the advertised Rate of Interest for short Deposits allowed by the leading London Joint Stock Banks, if the Bills are taken up in Great Britain.

At the Current Minimum Rate of Discount of the National Banks of France, Italy, Belgium and Germany, respectively, if taken up in either of those countries.

At the Current Rate of Rebate for Documentary Bills, if taken up in Switzerland or the United States.

At the Current Rate of Rebate allowed by the Exchange Banks, if taken up at any place east of Suez.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," A. WEMYSS, p. Manager. India, London and China.

JOHN THURBURN, Manager. For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China."

WILLIAM FORREST, Manager. For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation."

G. E. NOBLE, p. Chief Manager. For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," F. COCHINARD, Agent. Hongkong, May 8, 1882.

## SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Out-of-Clothing, Books, or Papers will be thankfully received at the SAILOR'S HOME, West Point. Hongkong, July 26, 1878.

## Insurances.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A.D. 1720.

THE UNDERSIGNED having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department. Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department. Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

Life Department. Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 26, 1872.

THE SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

CAPITAL £1,000,000 (One Million Sterling). Unlimited Liability of Shareholders.

THE UNDERSIGNED having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE RISKS at Current Rates, allowing usual Discounts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, July 1, 1881.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE UNDERSIGNED, AGENTS of the above Company, are authorized to Insure against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up)—£420,000.00. FUND—£200,000.00. SPECIAL RESERVE FUND—£200,553.95.

TOTAL CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATIONS, 6th April, 1882—£940,553.95.

Directors. H. DE C. FORBES, Esq., Chairman. J. H. PINGVOSE, Esq., Wm. MEYER, Esq., A. J. M. INVERARY, Esq., G. H. WHEELER, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI. Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH. Messrs BARRING BROTHERS & Co., Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent, 68 and 69, Cornhill.

Policies granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

Subject to a Charge of 12 1/2 per cent. on Shareholders' Capital, all the Profits of the UNDERSIGNED BUSINESS are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business (whether Shareholders or not) in proportion to the Premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co. Agents. Hongkong, May 8, 1882.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. (FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE UNDERSIGNED are prepared to grant Insurances against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels, or on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives, up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents, Hongkong and Canton. Hongkong, January 4, 1887.

## Insurances.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

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## Insurances.

**NOTICE.**  
**QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-  
PANY.**  
THE Undersigned are prepared to accept  
Risks on First Class Godowns at  
per cent. nett premium per annum.  
NORTON & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

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**CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE IN-  
SURANCE COMPANY.**

Quarantine rules, is now showing itself in California and elsewhere in an unusual strictness of interpretation and an adherence to the letter of the law, which ought to inculcate the greatest caution on this side of the line. A question concerning the measurement of a vessel, however, need not surely be one that is insurmountable, assuming that the law and the rules under which such measurement is to be made are clearly understood. The difference between the Hongkong and American system of

ESTABLISHED 1805.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, the same prepared to issue POLICIES of Insurance against FIRE on the usual Terms.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, January 1882.

THE CITY OF LONDON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, £2,000,000. | PAID-UP, £200,000  
PAID-UP RESERVE FUND, £50,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

not be twenty-five per cent; but it is presumed that business men who enter upon that branch of trade would make themselves thoroughly acquainted with the minutest details necessary to its successful issue. There are, of course, no particulars to hand regarding the cases referred to, but it is difficult to comprehend how steamers which had been passed here by the proper authorities could be fairly made liable to penalties so enormous as those mentioned. Indeed, unless the charterers had crowded in a number of passengers after the full complement had been noted and passed—which we do not believe to be possible—it is incomprehensible how the alleged excess could have appeared. If, however, the alleged excess has been arrived at through some quibble of American law, the cases of the *Dahwell Castle* and *Scratchbury* will be certain to call for diplomatic action on the part of the British Government. If, on the other hand, irregularities have been indulged in by any of those concerned with the vessels in

**To-day's Advertisements**

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**FOR NINGPO AND SHANGHAI.**

The Steamship  
"Yongtze,"  
Captain E. LEE, will be  
despatched for the above  
Ports **TO-MORROW**, the 1st June, at 4 p.m.


For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**SIEMSSSEN & Co.**  
Hongkong, May 31, 1882.

strictest investigation will be had into all the circumstances attending the despatch of the steamers named. We have the utmost confidence in the Emigration Officer at this port—in his keen sense of justice, his uprightness, and his fairness to all parties; but it is to be hoped, nevertheless, that it will be deemed advisable, in the interest of the department, to immediately concerned, and to show where the fault (if any) really lies, to inquire how the rules of the Colony applicable to such matters have been carried out in regard to the two vessels named. Whatever pressure may be brought to bear by the authorities of the United States upon the immigration of Chinese passengers into the States before the 4th August next, it seems to us to be easy enough to comply so scrupulously with all the existing regulations as to avoid unpleasant consequences in American ports. We shall look with interest for further news concerning the imposition of the apparently heavy penalties mentioned above.

**AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

**STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO  
BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT  
SAID, AND TRIESTE.**

*(Taking Cargo at through rates to CAL  
CUTTA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS,  
ODESSA, and the  
MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.)*

The Co.'s Steamship  
"Adlon,"  
Capt. A. Trew, will  
be despatched on MON-  
DAY, the 5th June, at 4 p.m., instead  
as previously notified.

For further Particulars, apply to  
**MELCHERS & Co.,**  
Agents.

**EDITORIAL NOTES.**  
Tanning is one of the industries locally carried on by the Chinese, and in Shanghai it has attracted European capital and enterprise. Tannin is the ingredient in bark so generally employed for tanning leather, and its presence in tea to the extent of from thirteen to eighteen per cent. accounts for the Chinese resorting to "vapo bene" for purposes of adulteration, re astringent taste, which consists of 90 per cent. of cate-chu.

Hongkong, May 31, 1882.

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TO LET.

(WITH IMMEDIATE ENTRY.)

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THE RESIDENCE KNOWN  
"BELLEVE," ALEANY ROAD.  
Apply to  
R. LYALL,  
Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, May 31, 1882.

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ners as *terra japonica*. As tanning substances form an important total in the imports into the United Kingdom, and the demand for them is largely extending there and elsewhere particularly in the

**TO LET.**  
(POSSESSION ON 15TH JULY NEXT.)  
**THE** Commodious **HOUSE** with Large  
COMPOUND, and a Chinese HOUSE  
attached, No. 33, POTTINGER STREET.  
Apply to

with China, it may be worth while devoting a small portion of our space to tanning materials, believing as we do that a part, if not all, of this last demand could be supplied from China. We learn that the tanning industry in Australia is threatened with extinction owing to the scarcity of wattle bark in the Colonies, and it is believed that, in Victoria, systematic cultivation of the wattle might possibly avert the difficulty regarding exhaustion or diminution of this source of supply. Failing this, importation of the tanning material

E. R. BELLIOS.  
Hongkong, May 31, 1882.

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STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE  
VIA INLAND SEA

skins and other implements, they are from 10 to 20 per cent., precludes the importation of manufactured leather or tanned skins. The value of wattle bark in that Colony has risen in four years from £4 to £7.10s. per ton. This should be an inducement for China and other Eastern countries for exporting tanning materials to Australia. Since the opening of the Melbourne Exhibition, a small trade has sprung up between India and Victoria in Myrabolanum, the value of which in tanning and dyeing appears to have attracted the attention of the Colonists. Another substance, although

(Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKOHAMA and VLADIVOSTOK.)

**THE S. S. SUMIDA MARU,** Captain  
HUBNER, due here on or about  
4th June, will be despatched as above  
on FRIDAY, the 9th June, at 4 p.m.

Cargo received on board and Parcels  
the Office up to 1 p.m. of day of sailing.

No Bill of Lading signed under  
Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board  
before delivery is taken, otherwise they  
will not be recognized.

CARGO AND PASSENGERS for Yokohama  
will be transhipped to the Shanghai-Maru  
Steamer at Kobe, and for Vladivostok  
Nagasaki.

For further Particulars, apply at  
Company's OFFICES, Praya Central, Ground  
Floor of Messrs RUSSELL & Co.

**H. J. H. THIRP**  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 31, 1882.

ment to notice—viz., 1890-1891, which is described as the fruit of a tree resembling tamarind. Its value for tanning purposes may be gleaned from the fact that it meted out with a ready sale in the London market at close on £15 the ton. But much of these substances employed by the tanner is now imported in the condensed form of "extracts," by which means a good deal is saved in freight and other charges. To show the demand that exists for these extracts in Australia, we may instance the fact that in 1890 one consignment of the extracts of Mimosa Bark was made to

**SHIPPING.**

**ARRIVALS.**

May 31, *Yangtze*, British steamer, from Canton.

May 31, *Esperance*, French barque, 200 tons.

H. Le Normant, Newchwang May 13, Per-  
CARLOWITZ & Co.

May 31, *Sury Wonge*, German steamer, 512 tons, from Hongkong.

May 31, *Yongwah*, Bagelak, May 24, P.

shipped since. Extracts of tannin are principally obtained in France and Germany from the chestnut, in Canada and the United States from hemlock. In Jamaica a tanniferous extract is prepared from the branches and leaves of the pimento. The import of tanning materials into the United Kingdom has assumed colossal dimensions, their total value amounting to nearly £2,000,000. Of this figure, about £700,000 represents the value of the various bark extracts; £750,000 that of crude materials exclusive of Gambia; the import of which is valued at £500,000. This last is

May 31, *Paladin*, British steamer, 8  
Anbin, Saigon May 27, *Rice*.—Tung K  
& Co.

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**DEPARTURES.**

May 31, *Himalaya*, for Saigon.

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**CLEARED.**

*Centurion*, for London.

where the supply of the product is almost inexhaustible source of indefinite extension. There are innumerable plants which could be brought into use for the same purposes, but we have only dealt with those best known. It is said that plants the wood of which endures in wet soils, contain in the wood itself tannin. We have always believed that vast undeveloped sources of material for tanning and dyeing may be found along the coasts in tropical seas in the mangrove belts that so frequently fringe the shores. The celestials, in Malaya, have used the bark of the mangrove tree for

*Anna*, for Newchwang.  
*Hydra*, for Hullo.  
*Olympia*, for Saigon.  
*Hermine*, for Takao.  
*Minerva*, for Manado.  
*Envy*, for Amoy and Manila.  
*Bonito*, for New York.  
*China*, for Swatow.  
*Glenlyon*, for Guam.

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**PASSENGERS.**  
 ADMIRAL

of almost twice as much from some specialists received from a distinguished scientist of this head, we should like to see investigations carried out in this direction. The line for development is sufficiently encouraging to bid fair for becoming an inexhaustible source of raw products—a tanning

Per *Sury Wongee*, from Bangkok, 9 Chinese.  
Per *Paladin*, from Saigon, 134 Chinese.







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Section.  
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.  
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.  
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Office.  
5. From P. and O. Office to Pedder's Wharf.  
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Anadyr	h.	Carcello	Brit. str.	2441	May 20	Messageries Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.	To-morrow
Belgie	5	Davidson	Brit. str.	1716	May 23	O. & S. S. Co.	Y'hama & San Francisco	2nd prox.
Benary	4	Boutellier	Brit. str.	1110	May 25	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	San Francisco	3rd prox.
Cairnmuir	3	Castle	Brit. str.	1123	May 24	Tak Hing Loong	San Francisco	To-morrow
Canton	2	Jaques	Brit. str.	1005	May 24	Chinese	Swatow	To-morrow
China	2	Schoer	Ger. str.	948	May 28	K'wok Achong & Sons	Manila	To-morrow
Conquest	8	h.	Brit. str.	318	Sept. 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow & Bangkok	2nd, daylight
Danube	2	Jordan	Brit. str.	964	May 17	Boazario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	To-morrow
Devonshire	8	Pavia	Brit. str.	1517	May 30	Remedios & Co.	Amoy and Manila	To-morrow
Emu	3	Ortuzar	Span. str.	222	May 11	H. K. & W'paa Dock Co.	Straits and Bombay	9th prox.
Fama	2	Stopani	Brit. str.	117	May 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai, Matheson & Co.	To-morrow
Geolung	2	Webber	Brit. str.	1139	May 24	Adams, Bell & Co.	Trieste, &c.	Wanchai Pier
Glenlyon	2	Gedye	Brit. str.	1375	May 27	Messageries Maritimes	Manila	5th prox.
Greyhound	4	Scott	Brit. str.	227	May 14	K'wok Achong & Sons	Manila	Coast Dock
Holios	4	Tercig	Aust. str.	1428	May 27	M. S. S. Co.	Manila	Coast Dock
Hongkong	3	Marquez	Brit. str.	67	April 14	7 Captain	Shanghai	To-morrow
Kumamoto Maru	2	Drummond	Japan. str.	1240	May 22	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Li Tai	2	Li-Ton-Tse	Annam str.	1090	July 20	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Malabar	2	Dixon	Brit. str.	1232	May 26	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Ningpo	1	Cass	Brit. str.	761	May 24	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Olympia	2	Wagner	Ger. str.	788	May 28	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Sea Gull	2	Haydon	Amer. str.	48	Nov. 14	China Traders' Insurance Co.	San Francisco	To-morrow
Scorpio	2	North	Annam str.	1271	May 14	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Shun Tin	2	Yuen Man Fu	Annam str.	93	July 7	7 Captain	Hulu & San Francisco	To-morrow
Triumph	2	Goold	Brit. str.	1707	May 27	Adams, Bell & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Volga	5	Guland	Fch. str.	1049	May 27	Messageries Maritimes	Ningpo & Shanghai	To-morrow
Yangtze	4	Lee	Brit. str.	784	May 31	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Sailing Vessels								
Alva	4	Souza	Portu. bge.	632	May 20	Brandao & Co.	Newchwang	To-morrow
Anna	3	Jessou	Ger. bge.	447	May 16	Wieler & Co.	New York	To-morrow
Bonita	4	Stech	Ger. 3m. str.	341	May 21	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	San Francisco	To-morrow
Brambletye	4	Pickard	Brit. str.	1407	May 31	Russell & Co.	Port Elizabeth	To-morrow
Bylgie	5	Andersen	Ger. bge.	333	April 23	Captain	London	To-morrow
Centurion	3	Taylor	Brit. bge.	665	April 17	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Manila	To-morrow
Corcoran	3	Aliher	Brit. bge.	581	May 12	Kien Tye Loong	Manila	To-morrow
Corrie	2	Schmiedel	Span. bge.	662	May 12	Kien Tye Loong	Manila	To-morrow
Esperance	4	Normant	Fch. bge.	272	May 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Ferdinand	4	Westergaard	Ger. bge.	416	May 24	Wieler & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Hermann	4	Traulsen	Ger. bge.	444	April 30	Wieler & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Hotsapur	3	Bunje	Brit. bge.	625	May 13	A. G. Morris	Tientsin	To-morrow
Hydra	4	Binge	Ger. bge.	786	May 14	Melchers & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Iraiz	4	Pearce	Brit. bge.	327	May 24	Wieler & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Kate Davenport	3	Mallett	Amer. sh.	1250	April 15	Rozario & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Livingstone	3	Steffens	Ger. bge.	853	April 2	Rozario & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Martha	4	McPherson	Brit. bge.	294	May 20	Chinese	Tientsin	To-morrow
Meridian	3	Trunksen	Sia. 3m. str.	213	May 8	Chinese	Tientsin	To-morrow
Minerva	3	Ugarte	Span. bge.	318	May 28	Melchers & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Minerva	3	Duhme	Ger. bge.	470	May 20	Chinese	Tientsin	To-morrow
Olosteo	4	Nickersoh	Amer. bge.	401	May 23	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Orient	3	Roder	Ger. bge.	461	May 31	7 Captain	Tientsin	To-morrow
R. T. Clayton	4	Davis	Amer. bge.	281	May 29	Siemens & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
San Francisco	3	Ohlmanns	Ger. str.	276	May 9	Siemens & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Schwann	3	h.	Ger. bge.	593	May 20	Chinese	Tientsin	To-morrow
Siamese Crown	3	Martin	Siam. sh.	496	May 24	W. H. Ray	Tientsin	To-morrow
Spartan	2	Vincent	Amer. sh.	85	April 24	Carlowitz & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
St. Idene	3	Durand	Fch. bge.	388	May 20	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Stillwater	8	Delap	Brit. bge.	1090	May 26	Melchers & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Tartar	2	Bunje	Ger. bge.	266	May 12	Russell & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Xenia	1	Reynolds	Amer. bge.	1174	May 20	M. S. S. Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
WHAMPOA								
Human		Crood	Chi. str.	1261	May 26	M. S. S. Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
CANTON								
Fooksang		Anderson	Brit. str.	990	May 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Tientsin	To-morrow
Solway		Jarvis	Brit. str.	510	May 24	Butterfield & Swire	Tientsin	To-morrow